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Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 17-20 and 22-27 and the indication of allowability of claims 28-30. The specification is amended to correct minor clerical errors; a misspelled word in paragraph [0007] and a punctuation error in paragraph [0013]. Claims 17-20 and 22-30 are amended to more clearly define the subject matter of the invention, not for any reasons relating to patentability. New claims 58-62 are added. Claims 1-17, 21, and 31-57 are cancelled without prejudice to their underlying subject matter. Concurrently herewith is submitted a substitute formal drawing for FIG. 1 in accordance with the approved changed drawings.

Claims 28-30 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. This rejection is respectfully traversed. The amendment to these claims should place the claims in condition for allowance. The 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, rejection of claims 28-30 is respectfully requested to be withdrawn.

Claims 47-54 and 57 stand rejected under 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. application, publication number 2002/0168820 (Kozicki et al.). These claims are cancelled and thus this rejection is moot. However, Applicant would like to direct the Examiner's attention to Kozicki et al. paragraphs [0099] through [0102] referring to figures 25-29. The common electrode structures disclosed by Kozicki et al. do not anticipate or render obvious the subject matter of the currently pending claims 17-20, 22-30, and 58-62.

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In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

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